Scout Billy Rapp Hands Sammy Crane Big Boost

Nationals' New Shortstop Is Touted Highly by "Ivory Hunter," of Indians.

Seldom, if ever, has a young ball player come up from the minor league to the big tent that has been boosted as highly as Sammy Crane, the Harrisburg lad. Crane last season played the short field with Jack Dunn's Baltimore International League club and was easily the fielding sensation of the International League

Although a great ball player Cr ne is not exceptionally good with the stick and it was this weakness that came near making him spend another year in the bushes. Three clubs had put in trafts for this youngster, while Connie dack, of the Athletics, held an option on his services.

Connie cut his string loose on Crane during the middle of last playing s ason, and, although the Nationals did n t put

the willow.

"I was little surprised that the 'Indians' withdrew their bid on him in the draft and was not a bit surprised to hear that Griff had obtained his services. I am sorry the 'Indians' could not have obtained him, but I am glad he has hooked up with the local club as I know that Griff will give him every chance in the world to make good for the Nationals."

Crane's baseball experience is not of long duration as this will be his fourth year in the national professional pastime, and he is still under 21 years of age. After being one of the leading semi-

age. After being one of the leading semipros of Eastern Pennsylvania, Crane took a stab at the professional game and re-ported to Winston-Salem team of the North Carolina State League late in the month of July of 1914. Crane was shipped in September of the same year, but he was not discouraged and in the spring of 1915 he joined Jack Dunn's Richmond

Internationi League club.

This was the year that Jack Dunn was run out of his own home town, Baltimore, by the Federal League. "Kasty" Dean and "Tots" Long, two local sandlotters, who have since made good in the Blue Ridge League, were with the Dunnmen at training camp, and it was Crane who showed enough ability to run

these youngsters back to the bushes. When Dunn moved his "Ints" back to Baltimore Crane was carried along and last season enjoyed one of the best years that any youngster has made in the his-tory of baseball in the Class AA circuit.

WHITE DESIRES ONE

Believes He Can Hang K. O. on Him

Havana may be the scene of the fifth encounter between Charlie White and Freddie Welsh. Those two birds have met four times for a total of fifty rounds and the light-weight crown still rests firmly upon the Briton's head. White, however, believes that if the distance if extended to twenty-five rounds he may be able to selze it. That seems to be about as much of a marathon as Welsh cares for, although White is trying to get him to consent to making it a finish

Welsh recently announced he would re tire on July 7, the third anniversary of the date on which he wrested the sceptre from Willie Ritchie. In the meanwhile he says he will enter one more distance That is the bout White wants. 'I'll fight Mitchell to see which one

of us gets the crack at Welsh," said White. "I already have agreed to box twenty-five rounds in Havana. If Welsh is the other man I'll be glad. I've told my manager. Nate Lewis, that if he signs Welsh I'll go fifty-fifty with him on my

Welsh and Harry Pollok, who guides his destinies, have never boasted of the national wrestling championships fact that Billy Roche, Welsh's choice land, Oreg., under auspices of M for referee, slipped the champion the decision in that twenty-round flasco at Colorado Springs and may be easier to tow into another match with White than is apparent just now.

PORTLAND CLUB TO BE FIRST TO START

Portland, Ore., Feb. 3.—Charley Weegh-man with his Chicago Cubs, will not be the first baseball magnate to test the intentions of the players regarding their proposed strike. Six days before the Cubs are to report for their spring train-ing trip to California, the Portland Beavers are scheduled to start on their own trip to Honolulu. The Portland club thus will be the first in organized baseball to start training and thus the first to learn what there is in Dave Fultz's proposed

WRESTLING IS HELP FOR GRID PLAYERS

New York, Feb. 2.—Tad Jones, the miracle man of football, believes that box-ing and wresting will help his gridiron

New York, Feb. 3.—When Bill Lange, who was somewhat of a ball player back in the old days, was playing with the Chinall, to take up both sports during the summer months. He says that in order to be at his best the football player must keep himself in condition first of all, and in doing so he must map out a way whereby he can develop speed of the eye, the brain, the arms and the legs. He must bring all of his muscles into play 2.500 for his work. Today there are any in various ways to fit himself for deliver-ing his best on the football field.

War Crisis Stops the Navy Basket-ball Tossers

Annapolis, Md., Feb. 2.—Because of the stringent order barring all persons from admittance to the government reservation on account of the war crisis the basket-ball game between teams of the Naval Academy and West Virginia University scheduled for this afternoon was called off.

IN STRIKE SQUABBLE

Denies Labor Federation Had Sug-

commendation along this line will be incoming the middle of last playing; a starting time, Griff considers himself a lucky davil to have his services in 1917, as the three major league clubs that bid for him but he draft route withdrew that he shall be for him but he draft route withdrew that he shall be for him but he draft route withdrew that he shall be for him but he draft route withdrew that he shall be for him but he draft route withdrew that he shall be for him but he draft route withdrew that he shall be for him but he draft route withdrew that he shall be for him but he draft route withdrew that he had been as the three major league clubs hat bid for him but he draft route withdrew that he he had been as the him had been as the head of the him had been as the him had

"Wild Bill" Donovan Counts on Young Hurler to Lead League.

Wild Bill Donovan has a hurler he thinks a great deal of, and Willyum predicts that 1917 will see this youngster reach the pinnacle in the American League. The tosser in question is Urban Shocker, who spent most of the season of 1916 as a member of the Toronto club of the International League. At Toronto Shocker pitched wonderful ball, winning many pitchers' battles through masterful hurling. But late in the season when he was called in by the Yankees he grew wild and lost a number of close games on account of his inability to locate

the platter.
So Donovan plans to watch Shocker closely in the training games this spring and try everything he knows to help the lad regain control. Bill says:

"Shocker is a natural twirler. . He has more stuff on the ball than many of the famous pitchers of days gone by and his spitball is a marvel. Of course, he MORE CRACK AT WELSH

his spitball is a marvel. Of course, he has a lot to learn, but I think he will acquire the things he must pack away in his cranium during the spring training season. I have spent many years studying pitchers and I feel qualified to say that I believe Shocker's chances of becoming one of the ranking pitchers in the

coming one or the ranking pitchers in the big leagues are brilliant.

"And while on the subject of pitchers," added Bill, "I want to mention Lefty Mogridge and Nick Cullop, who will be out there showing 'em a few things about the art of winning ball games unless I wis a my guess by about steen miles. miss my guess by about steen miles Cullop, you'll remember, was the leading hurler of the league in 1916, but injuries kept him off the slab when we needed

SECRETARY OF A. A. U. NAMES TITLE DATES

Frederick W. Rubien, chairman of the A. A. U. championship committee, has announced the dates for A. A. U. championship fixtures as follows: March 15, 16, and 17, national basket-ball championships at Chicago under auspices of Illinois Athletic Club; March 17, national indoor track and field championships at Nev York, under auspices of champion-ship committee; April 2 and 3, national boxing championships at Boston, under auspices of Boston Athletic Association; April 20, national symnastic champion-ships at New York, under auspices of championship committee: May 11 and 12.

land, Oreg., under auspices of Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club. The list of clubs to which national indoor swimming championships have been awarded and the dates on which same are to be held will be announced in a

CLABBY IS OFFERED BOUT WITH FRED KAY

New York, Feb. 3.-Jimmy Clabby, who is numbered among the victims of Fred Kay, the Australian sensation of the present day, was recently offered a big guarantee for a return match with the guarantee for a return match with the conqueror of Milburn Saylor, but Jimmy declined. Clabby is far from being through with the boxing game, for he has many a good battle left in his system, but the lure of the racing game has been keeping Clabby out of the ring, and he is said to be making a mint of money around Australian tracks, where he is associated with Eddie McGoorty in running a "book."

1917 SALARIES FOR THE 1917 PLAYER

RULES COMMITTEE **PROPOSES CHANGES**

Pittsburgh Experiencing a Boxing Wrangle-Other Sports.

There is an old saw that runs, "Where there's smoke, there is fire." If such is a fact, then every indication points to quite a number of changes being made in the playing rules when the rules committee, of organized baseball, meets in New York City, within the next two weeks.

The demand for more hitting has become so pronounced, not only from the spectators, but the players as well, that it is openly being stated that several members of the committee are in favor of seriously considering some of the more rational suggestions being advanced toward this end.

John McGraw was one of the first to come out with a suggestion that would increase the batting. The Giant's manager is in favor of making the ball more lively, but it is hardly probable that any recommendation along this line will be entertained. The greatest objection to the ball being made livelier would come from the players themselves as they seen

Hundreds of other suggestions, some Hundreds of other suggestions, some rational and others not, have been made, but all with one object, and that is to increase the hitting. Unless all present signs fall, there is every reason to believe that when the rules committee finishes its annual work it will be found that they have promulgated several new rules with an intent to increase the stick work.

work.

While Gov. Whitman has issued a public statement in which he says he is in favor of repealing every boxing law on the statue boks of New York, the chances are that after hearing both sides of the controversy which has arisen, he may qualify his statement in which he is credited as saying that he is opposed to boxing under any and all conditions. That the game in New York, during the past year, has had a rather musty smell, the big town sport writers are not a bit backward in admitting, yet at the same time they are also calling attention of the higher authorities to their claims that some of those who compose the State board are just about as much off-color as some of the fighters.

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If such is fact, then there is every
reason to believe that Gov. Whitman,
in all due respect to the sport-loving
public, that is, those who are in for
sports conducted on the level, will give
this dirty dish-washing affair a more
thorough consideration.

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Entry records are in imminent danger of being shattered at the annual tournabefore the general arrangement of the American Bowling Congress, schedule.

There is prospect of some shifting in promoter, took his fling in the boxing.

issued by Secretary Abe Langtry last week, between 750 and 800 teams would shoot for the national honors.

Langtry's estimate makes the unofficial prophecy of 850 quints look good to well-posted fans, as Langtry has always used the soft pedal in promising a big entry list for the players. Chicago teams to the number of eighty-three have already forwarded their entry lists to the national secretary, and if four more send in of last year at Toledo. It would not be at the national meeting next Friday aight it back to the crusher he planted on the surprising but that Chicago came through with not less than 120 five-men at the Waldorf-Astoria.

The boxing game is not only in bad re pute with the authorities of New York State, but Pittsburgh, another acknowledged fight center, has its fistic tangle.
Unfortunately, the Smoky City has no boxing commission, either municipal or State, the chief of police, in the majority of cases, acting as the matchmaker.

Lately this official has seen fit to re

fuse permits for bouts between several well-known battlers, giving as his reason that their past performances were of a

shady character and that he did not propose to allow a repetition of what he terms a "stalling bout."

This state of affairs where the chief of police performs the functions of matchmaker for all the bouts is not meeting with the approval of the sporting public or the press, and it would not be surprissor that pressent in the press, and it would not be surprissor that pressent in the press, and it would not be surprissor that pressent in the line in Australia are Jack character and that he did not propose to allow a repetition of what he burning the past few weeks a number of elimination contests among some life-saving races will be held.

The following are the captains of the first time in any scholistic meet life-saving races will be held.

The following are the captains of the coming bantams have been held in Sydney and Melbourne. At each of these bouts crowds of from 5,000 to 7,000 to 7 ing to see in the near future some kind of a municipal commission formed with power to sanction and run all bouts held in the Smoky City.

RITCHIE WANTS A CRACK AT BRITTON

AS A BASKET SHOULEK

New York, Feb. 3.—Speaking of Willie
Ritchie, that erstwhile light-weight has
been stung by the welter-weight bee and
believes that having taken on too much
poundage to qualify as a light-weight
hay longer he is entitled to a slash at
any longer he is entitled to a slash at
seems to adorn the brow of Jack Britton.
Ritchie has asked Dominick Totorich,
of New Orieans, to get him a kiwentyto date Miss Metoxen has resistency
the other weiters. Ritchie made an effort
to establish himself as a weiter last
year when he tackled Ted Lewis, the Englishman, and was outpointed a mile and
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WAR WILL NOT PREVENT MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

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International complications, even to the point of war, are not soing to cause any change in the plans already made for the opening of the season in April. Nor will they in any way alter the preparatory programs of spring trainins. Johnson now believes the majors can survive a period of stormy months, or at least start their respective seasons and keep going until conditions absolutely forced the abandonment of the flag race.

LANDS UPHILL GAME

Gallaudet Comes from Behind and Trims George Washington.

Trailing along behind a small lead, this Gallaudet College quint gathered itself together at the psychological moment, in its game with George Washington tossers at the Kendall Green gym last night, and put across the telling punch of three goals from court which netted them the edge over the Hatchetites, by a 38 to 33

count.

The game, although at times exceedingly rough, was one of the best ever witnessed in the Kendall Green gym, and was a nick-and-tuck affair in which each was a received for every inch of the floor player battled for every inch of the floor space and put all their fight in their at-tempts at caging the ball. Forty-one-fouls were called during the fray, the player being willing at all times to mix

Coach Haas' quint passed rings around the Hatchetites in the first half, but Har-mon's ablity to cage the foul goals re-sulted in the downtowner emerging with a 2 to 17 count, as the Kendall Greener

ington increased its lead by a clever field goal, but the Gallaudet five soon got started and tied the Hatchetites at twenty-six all. After George Washington had another rally the Gallaudet quint came from behind and tied them again with 3

It was at this stage of the game tha young Boucher, who had been Manging to Giacomo like a beach, started to sweet down the floor and in less time than it takes to count them he caged two baskets.

P. Wilson, who was substituted for R Wenger when H. Wilson and the former got into an interesting scrimmage and ware hereshed from the scrimmage and were banished from the contest. diately jumped into the limelight by put-ting one into the net from a difficult angle. This quickly-gathered lead was too much for the down-towners to overcome. Harmon contributing their only counter after this goal by the free-toss

Boucher, who was covering Almon, the

GEORGE WASH.	Position.	GALLAUDET.
Almon	la F	R. Wenger
Giacomo	R. F	Schr.we
Harmon	Center	A Wenger
Groesbeck	L. G	Boucher
Hillia	B. G	Clay
Substitutions-Georg	e Washing	ton Patterson for
Groenbeck, H. Wilso	n for Patte	rson Bixler for H
Wilson, Hall for Giac	omo. Heise	for Hall Lynch for
Schowe, P. Wilson	for R W	enger Coals from

Schowe, I'. Wilson for R. Wenger. Goals from floor-George Washington, Almon, Giacomo (3), Harmon (4), Wilson: Gallaudet, R. Wenger (3), Schowe, Lynch, A. Wenger (5), Boucher (5), P. Wilson, Goals from foul-Harmon, 15; A. Wenger, 10. Goals from fouls, missed-Harmon, 6; A. Wenger, 5. Referce-James Colliflower, Georgetown, Umpire-Bryan Morne, George Washington, Timer-Miller Tabler, Scorer-Jack Keller, Time of halves, 10 minutes.

FOR TENNIS TITLE DATES | Substitutions-Miss Walter for Miss Darls, Miss Darls, Miss George Washington University, Reference Lewis, George Washington University,

then the governor should exert every influence in determining as to just who these particular ones are, and be they promoters, principals, or those in authority, they should be severly dealt with.

The determining as to just who national Lawn Tennis Association. It is explained that there is the prospect of more than 200 tournaments on the national list for the coming season. Consequently that sent Tom Cowler sprawling when he such of the detail, together with the de-

ment of the American Bowling Congress, which is to start at Grand Rapids on March 3. According to an announcement its used by Secretary Abe Langtry last week, between 750 and 800 teams would Athletic Association stated that the shoot of the Bronxville and the state of the Bronxville of the reel, and an agreement was a chapter of the Bronxville of the reel, and an agreement was beautiful at the shoot of the reel, and an agreement was drawn up whereby Fulton is to fight un-

KANGAROO LAND BIG FOR BANTAM-WEIGHTS

New York, Feb. 3.—Snowy Baker, the Australian fight promoter, writes that the bantam-weights are going big in Kanbetween the senior and junior classes garoo Land.

Entries for the swimming meet to be held at the Central High School tank between the senior and junior classes on February 6 at 3 p. m. were announced "The banties are all the go in Aus- last night

"The banties are all the go in Aus-iralia at present," says Baker. They are drawing big houses, and the fight-loving public has been taking more in-terest in the little fellows than ever be-fore

places in the line in Australia are Jack Jannese, the champion, and Vince Black-burn, Harry Holmes, Andy McGuire, Ed-die Clifford, Chick Lloyd and Albert

INDIAN GIRL WONDERFUL AS A BASKET SHOOTER

ROYAL DUCKPINNERS

Total 1,812 Pins for Three Games and Average 594 for Set.

The Royals, of the National Capital and District leagues, pinned 205 more pins in the first five games of the ten-game intercity match, with the Palace quint, of Roanoke, last night at Sherman's alleys. In the first game the local aggregation came through with a total of 655 pins, and at one stage of the game, in the eighth box, it looked very much as though they would pass the District record of 655, held by the Continentals. Against this total the Palace team amassed 555. In the second game the Royals continued making pace and finished with 534 and backed this up 185, a grand total of 1,812 pins for the first three games, the highest set ever rolled in the District. Previous to this the greatest set total ever shot in the National Capital, was that of the same team who on October 16 last, gathered a set total of 1,776 against the Palace quint, of the National Capital League.

While it is hardly likely that this set will be recognized as a District record, in view of the fact that it was made in an exhibition match and also, in a five-game match, the fact nevertheless stands out that it is the highest three-game total ever bowled in the District of Columbia. In the fourth game, the local pinners came back with the second 600 game of the coveted mark, while they finished the

came back with the second 600 game of the set, they going sixteen pins beyond the coveted mark, while they finished the set with a total of 546, their lowest game of the evening. Their grand total for the five games was 2,974, or an average of 594.4, against a total of 2,769 for the Palace bunch. Earl Lewis, captain of the Royals, proved the size of the games with a

proved the star of the games with a set total of 622 pins, but it fell to Harris, anchor man, of the Roanoke bowlers, to contribute the highest individual score, 157, in his third game. Bernie Carroll, closely pressed Lewis for high honors, closely pressed Lewis for high nonors, by coming through with a set of 620, just two pins less than his captain.

Harris, of the visitors, led his team with a grand total of 605, and although the other four men of his team averaged above 106, he was fifty-one pins better than the next nearest man.

The scores follow:

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đ	Blount	128	94	107	110	92	
e	Harris	123	105	157	169	112	
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p	Halley	114	153	104	115	113	
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0	Carroll	139	124	108	132	117	
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d	Totals	6.35	554	563	616	546	2

GALLAUDET SEXTET FALLS BEFORE G. W. U.

featured by the general all-around play-ing of the Buff and Blue squad.

Immediately after the game Miss Sel-bold, manager of the George Washington

North

team, announced that a schedule of four out-of-town games had been arranged, the first of which will be played on the of that Swarthmore, Pa., against Swarthmore; on the 10th, they will meet Temple University, at Philadelphia, and on the 14th and 15th they have dates with Sargent School and Radeliffe College, in Efforts are being made to arrange

games for the 17th and 19th, while the team is away.

The line-up of yesterday's game fol-

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Miss Gardner	Center	Miss I	Hitesman
Miss Fogerty	B. C	Mis	Harper
Miss Stimson	R. G	Miss	Weswen
Miss Briscoe	La G	M	ise Moss
Substitutions-Mi	ta Walter for	Miss Day	de Miss

The national championship dates and that Frederick can draw down the elusive their entry between now and the date of closing the entries, February 14, the Windy City will have equaled its record will be awarded by vote of the delegates idea of something soft, and he can trace

CENTRAL HUMAN FISH TO HOLD BIG MEET

Capt. G. Dickey, freshmen; Capt. S. day with Manager Alexandria C. Rob-Houston, sophomors; Capt. G. M. Hostettler, Junior; Capt. Victor Beaubasket-ball team of Baltimore, for a champ, senior; Capt. Rich Newboy, lifegame with the Central High School saving crew; Capt. W. R. Stokes, long distance. Ed- distance

The place of captain made vacant by the graduation of W. L. Milstead has not yet been filled.

TOME SCHOOL TO HAVE

RECORDS BROKEN BY . No Chance for St. Louis To Obtain Eddie Foster

Seven Years Seven Camps

New York, Feb. 2.— Roger Peck-inpaugh, of the Yankees, has been playing professional baseball for, seven seasons, but not entil this spring will be make a second visit

to any training camp.

In 1910 Peck was with the Naps in Alexandria. The following year he worked with the Portland club at Santa Maria, Cal. He was with the Naps at Mobile in 1912 and at Pensacola in 1913. The following March found him at Houston with the Yankees, while the next year he trained at Savannah and at Macon last year. The Yankees will train at Macon this year.

YINGLING GIVES UP **BIG LEAGUE BASEBALL**

Announces He Will Play Semi-Pro Ball Regardless of Griffith's Action.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 3.-Earl Yingling,

home at Lebanon, Ohio. He has so no-tified Griffith, who purchased his release from Minneapolis last season.
Earl, however, does not want to give up baseball entirely, so has agreed to pitch for the Norwoods on Saturdays and Sundays. He has asked Griffith to place him on the voluntary retired list so he will be eligible under the National Fed-eration rules. While Griffith has not yet done this. Yingling, who was here Sat-urday, says he expects Griff to give him this rating in a week or so.

Charley Weeghman of the Chleare Cubs, yesterday issued a statement that if war was declared he believed it would be a tough season for professional base-ball. Weeghman went further and stated that if war was declared immediately that he did not believe any major of minor lengue club would risk sending the players to training camp.
When asked the attitude of the Wash-ington club on this question Manager Griffith came out with a bold statement that no matter what happens, that the

GRIDIRON SCHEDULE FOR G. U. ANNOUNCED

Manager Curtin, of the Georgetown University football team, announced last night the completed schedule of the Elue and Gray for the 1917 season.

The teams that will make their appearance in the National Capital are: David-son College, Lebanon Valley, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Eastern College.

It will be noticed that Albright, Buck-nell, West Virginia, Wesleyan, Dart-George Washington University's girl basket-ball team defeated the sextet from Gallaudet College yesterday afternoon, by a score of 19 to 4, in a game that was Susquehanna University have been given

Susquehanna University, and closing the season on Thanksgiving Day with George

Washington

The complete schedule follows: September 29 — Davidson College, North Carolina. October 6-Lebanon Valley.
October 12-Springfield Y. M. C. A. at
Springfield.

October 20.—Lehigh at South Bethlehem. Kid Has Pitched Three No-Hit Games
October 25-Virginia Polytechnic Insti-November 2-Eastern College

November 17-Washington and Lee at Roanoke, Va.
November 24—Susquehanna University.
November 29—George Washington University.

EVERYTHING IS READY FOR CARDINALS FEAST

Alexandria, Va., Feb. 3.—Rammel's Hotel will be the scene of great activity next Wednesday night when the Cardinal Athletic Club will hold their fifth annual banquet in honor of Clark Griffith, manager of the Washington baseball team, as a testimonial of their esteem for the man who has done so much for amateur baseball in Washington and the neighboring vicinities.

Mayor Tom Fisher, of Alexandria, in real ball games. The bull pen palled in real ball games. The bull pen palled

That Ichiya Kumagae, of Tokyo, Japan, may take another swing around the tennis circuit of the United States was made known recently at Los Angeles, Cal. According to Japanese friends of the sensational little player from the Far East, he is seriously considering crossing the Pacific again to participate in this country's tournaments. ry's tournaments. It is stated there that in letters recent-

received from Kumagae, he wrote that wrong.

would return to the United tSates early Whether or not Hoyt will prove himsel ly received from Kumagae, he wrote that he would return to the United (Sates early in the summer. He was unable to compete in the tournament at Manila for the championship of the Orient early last month, and in a letter received by a New York friend about that time, it was company, and again, he may need experience in the more more than the same poils and the same portence in the minors. Regardless of portence in the minors.

CENTRAL FIVE PLAYS BALTIMORE POLY TEAM

quint on February 6 at the Central High School gymnasium.

The Baltimore quint will journey to this city with a strong combination which is more than anxious to annex a victory from the Central High tossers. Last week the City College of Baltimore, came to this city only to be defeated by the Central five by the score of 16 to 13. The Polytechnic basketers are figured to make a better showing than their rivals from the Baltimore City. The Polytechnic quint will probably already made indicate that it will be well attended.

Lieut. Dibble Wounded.

Griffith Would Not Consider Trading "Fatima" for Either Pratt or Plank.

Eddie Foster for Del Pratt or Eddie Plank broke forth again yesterday with the war news, the severe north wind and zero weather. There is no doubt that Manager Grimth

could make use of either Pratt or the famous southpaw veteran, but there seems little chance of the Nationals obtaining either of these players in a trade for "Fatima" Foster.

for "Fatima" Foster.

Because Fielder Jones, pilot extraordinary of the St. Louis Browns, is hurrying East to attend the meeting of the American League to be held in New York. City the latter part of this month, this question has brought forth the talk of the Griffmen obtaining the services of the second-sacker of the Mound City

Pratt would, no doubt, prove a great assistant to the Nationals in the coming campaign even if the "Old Fox" was compelled to give Eddie Poster in a trade deal, but such a deal is not possible, as the Old Fox is confident that "Fatims" will come back with a rush in 1917 and has no intention of trading the Cherry

dale farmer.
"There's not a chance of Fielder Jones getting Eddie Foster. I would not give Foster for either Pratt or Plank or even Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 2.—Earl Yingling, former Red southpaw, will pitch for the Norwoods, semi-pro champions of the world, this year.

Whether Yingling will be able to pitch for the Norwoods in the city and world series is up to Clarke Griffith, manager of the Washington Americans, but Earl is sure to fling for Ed Rohrer's team at the start of the season. Yingling definitely decided to give up professional ball for the peace and quiet of his country home at Lebanon, Ohio. He has so notified Griffith, who purchased his release.

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that no matter what happens that the local club would send its men to Augusta early in March. President Ban Johnson, of the American League, who a few years back was on the point of closing the American League ed ominous, has had a change of heart. International complications, even to the point of war, are not going to cause any change in the plans already made for the opening of the session in April. Nor will they in any way alter the pre-paratory programs of spring training. Johnson now believes the two leagues can survive a period of stormy months or at least start their respective sea-sons and keep going until conditions ab-solutely forced the abandonment of the flag race. This information came from

HOYT IN SPOTLIGHT IN VERY SHORT TIME

Chicago late last night

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November 6-Fordham at New York.
November 10-Navy (place undecided, not likely at Annapolis).

New York, Feb. 2.-Walter C. Hoyt, the sensational high school recruit of the Giants, has pitched three no-hit games in his short career. Hoyt is but 18 years old, yet during his life he has pitched himself into the spotlight that many hurlers strive for years to enter without ever being rewarded with success.

As a member of the Erasmus Hall High School team, of Brooklyn, Hoyt first attracted the attention of McGraw by his wonderful pitching. He was simply a wonder in high school and he acted

man who has done so much for amateur baseball in Washington and the neighboring vicinities.

Sylvester Breen, the president of the Cardinal Club, has invited a notable list of guests from all branches of life, newspaper, governmental, and civil.

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Mayor Tom Fisher, of Alexandria, toastmaster at every banquet tendered by the Cardinals is master of ceremonies, and has arranged for a warm welcome for the honored guest of the evening.

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That Johin Fisher, of Alexandria, the Giants was rendered. He wanted to pitch in rest ball games. The bull pen palied on him. So McGraw finally sent him to the Hartford club of the Eastern League with the understanding that he was to hold a string to him.

Finally the management of the Hartford club persuaded Hory to sign a contract and later suspended him when McGraw ordered him to report back to the Giants. The case was taken before the National Commission and recently a decision favoring the Giants was rendered.

and when McGraw believes anything he keeps hammering away until he is thor-oughly convinced that he is right or

what he does this year. Hoyt surely has a bright future to look forward to.
Is a big fellow, standing six feet is a big fellow, standing six technical to the 200-height and weighing close to the 200-pound mark. He certainly looks like a lad well worth all the nursing along McGraw can afford to give him.

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